

SENATE BILL 2873
By Koella

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-3-106,
relative to referenda for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-3-106(c), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following new subdivision:

(2) In addition to the foregoing, in the county town of any county having a population of more than eighty-five thousand (85,000) according to the 1990 federal census or any subsequent federal census, elections provided for in subsection (b) shall be called and held as elections on questions by the county election commission at the next regular election of the municipality upon receipt of a resolution adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote requesting the holding of such election. Such election shall be held at the next regular municipal or county election or the regular August or November election. Provided, however, no election under this subdivision may be conducted on the same day as a primary election. The resolution shall request the holding of a local option election to authorize retail package stores to sell alcoholic beverages as provided by law or to authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises as provided by law or both such types of sales. The question submitted to the voters shall be in the form authorized by subsection (d)(2), or §57-4-103(b) or both such questions. If the county town authorizes retail package stores or consumption on the premises, any other incorporated municipality within such county may use the procedure authorized by this subdivision (2).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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